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From the Dean

Greetings AGO Members, Friends and Colleagues,

I hope you are all staying warm during this brisk weather, and are also staying well.

First, I would like to thank Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church for hosting our young artist Thomas Mellan, who played a quite gorgeous and impressive program! Many thanks go to Michael Dauterman, Director of Music and Worship Arts; Käthe Wright Kaufman, Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts; and to Katherine "Kat" Griffith for making it possible to host our Young Artist Concert!

I want to remind everyone about our OrgelKids USA Event on February 4, 2023, at Peachtree Christian Church from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. I can't stress enough the importance of an overflowing attendance, not only for Guild members, but more focusing on our young children experiencing a fun, interactive day featuring our newly acquired OrgelKids USA kit which contains a beautifully crafted organ built by Lambert & Fralick Organ Builders, LLC, out of Eugene, Oregon! Children of all ages are invited to join us in assembling the organ. It will give the children the opportunity to understand how the organ is constructed by helping build it with their own hands! Pizzas, snacks and beverages will be available to everyone! At the end of the day, we will test our new gem by playing it solo or with accompaniment from the main organ.... **so please mark your calendars** and spread the news to any and everyone! This is a **free** event, so the more, the merrier!!!

Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., the Cathedral of St. Philip and AGO Atlanta will be co-hosting **The Chenaults!** This exciting program will include two world premiere performances: a duet commissioned from David Briggs, *Homage to Pierre Cochereau*, and a solo work written expressly for the Aeolian-Skinner organ and acoustic of the Cathedral nave by Ray Chenault, *Fantaisie Mystique*. This is a **free admission** concert, so *please* come enjoy St. Philip's majestic space and acoustics and get to experience **two** new world premier pieces!!! There will be a reception following!!!

A reminder that **The Quimby Organ Competition** has been set for Saturday, April 22, 2023, at Dunwoody United Methodist Church. Inquiries can be made by contacting Matthew Brown, Competition Coordinator, or Mary Ruth Solem.

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and AGO Atlanta will be co-hosting the 2022 Taylor Competition First Place Winner, **Katherine Joliff**, in concert! She is an organ performance major at the Eastman School of Music. This will be a great time to greet and congratulate Katherine on her well-deserved award! Come experience the incredible acoustics and exquisite new Sanctuary of Immaculate Heart of Mary and their new A.E. Schlueter Pipe Organ! Please come and support our Taylor Award Winner!!!!

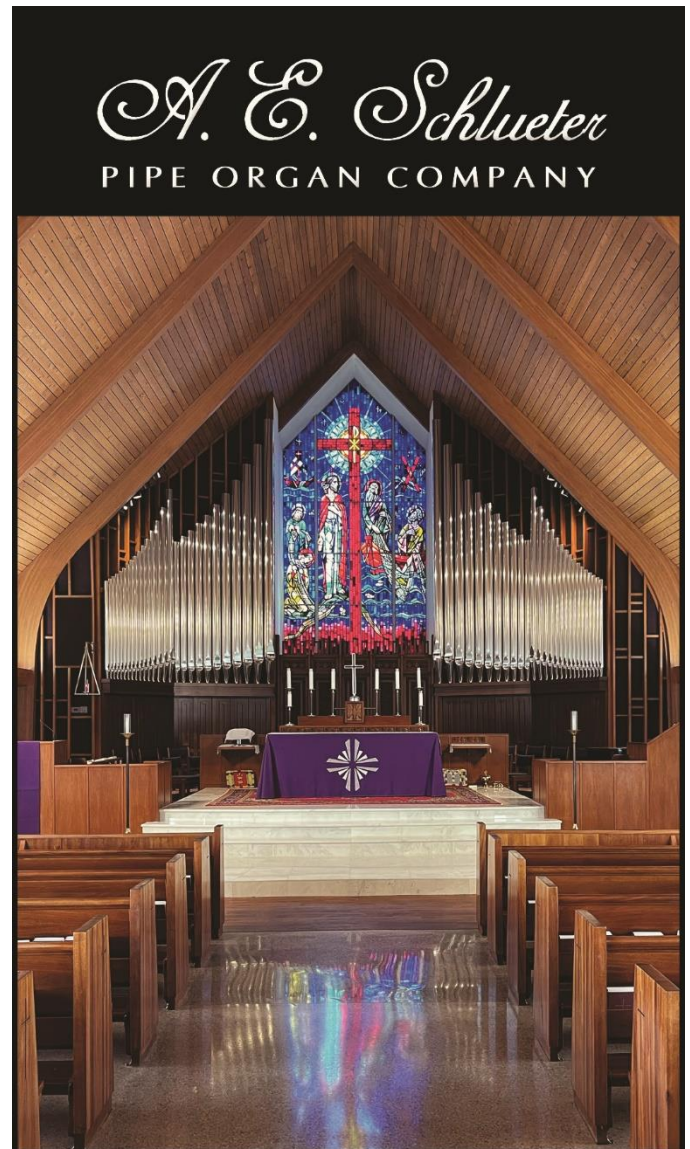
Our AGO Season Finale, Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., will be a hymn festival co-hosted by Johns Creek United Methodist Church and AGO Atlanta! This is going to be a spectacular event featuring a very special artist (it's a surprise!), and Johns Creek United Methodist Church Choir directed by Meg Granum, Director of Music! Please come hear the newly installed, restored Trinity Wall Street Aeolian-Skinner Organ! Bring all your friends and families, warm up your voices and experience a *truly spiritual evening*!!! There will be a reception following the concert! I'll let the cat out of the bag in January for this event!

Many blessings to all of you! Stay safe and warm and I hope each and every one of you has a fantastic holiday!

Thank you!
Cliff Frierson, Dean
AGO Atlanta Chapter

OrgelKids USA

February 4, 2023, will be a banner day for our Atlanta AGO Chapter. It debuts our demonstration of an OrgelKids organ kit recently purchased by our chapter for the purpose of introducing the science, art, history, mechanics, and beauty of pipe organs to students, young and old, throughout our metropolitan Atlanta area and beyond. This exciting project will be inaugurated at Peachtree Christian Church, with many activities including demonstrations, hands-on experiences for children and adults, and a music concert featuring our new OrgelKids organ combined with the organs at Peachtree Christian Church. To assist with this exciting project, a team of OrgelKids Docents/Curators will be created by our chapter, in preparation for the February 4 event; these OrgelKids ambassadors will also travel to various locations (schools, churches, music/arts events) to assist with presentations and programs illustrating the OrgelKids organ, facilitating an immersive, hands-on event for participants. Our OrgelKids inauguration events will be featured in a future issue of *The American Organist*. If you are interested and available to serve as an OrgelKids ambassador, please be in touch with Chapter Dean Cliff Frierson or Southeast Regional Councilor Sue Mitchell-Wallace for further information. For further information about this exciting project, see this article online: *A New Organ Outreach: Orgelkids USA | Vox Humana* (voxhumanajournal.com).



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January 2023 Calendar of Events

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location	Admission
Wednesday	1/4	8:00 PM	Coucheron/ASO: Vivaldi's <i>Four Seasons</i>	Symphony Hall	\$
Saturday	1/7	3:00 PM	Coucheron/ASO: Vivaldi/Bach	Spivey Hall	\$
Sunday	1/8	3:15 PM	Andrew Scanlon, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
	1/8	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
Thursday	1/12	8:00 PM	Borrow/Abdullah/ASO: Farrenc/Beethoven/Sibelius	Symphony Hall	\$
Sunday	1/15	3:00 PM	Borrow/Abdullah/ASO: Farrenc/Beethoven/Sibelius	Symphony Hall	\$
	1/15	3:00 PM	Dover Quartet: Haydn/Beach/Dvořák	Spivey Hall	\$
	1/15	3:15 PM	Charles Tompkins, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
	1/15	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
Monday	1/16	3:00 PM	Trials to Triumph — MLK Day Celebration	First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta	
Thursday	1/19	8:00 PM	Biss/Runnicles/ASO: Mozart/Bruckner	Symphony Hall	\$
Saturday	1/21	3:00 PM	Alan Morrison, <i>organ</i>	Spivey Hall	\$
	1/21	8:00 PM	Biss/Runnicles/ASO: Mozart/Bruckner	Symphony Hall	\$
	1/21	8:00 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Mozart's <i>Don Giovanni</i>	Cobb Energy Center	\$
Sunday	1/22	3:15 PM	Arie Motschman, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
	1/22	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
Tuesday	1/24	7:30 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Mozart's <i>Don Giovanni</i>	Cobb Energy Center	\$
Thursday	1/26	8:00 PM	Fang/Braun/Runnicles/ASO/ASOC: Hailstork/Brahms	Symphony Hall	\$
Friday	1/27	8:00 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Mozart's <i>Don Giovanni</i>	Cobb Energy Center	\$
Saturday	1/28	3:00 PM	Leif Ove Andsnes, <i>piano</i>	Spivey Hall	\$
	1/28	8:00 PM	Fang/Braun/Runnicles/ASO/ASOC: Hailstork/Brahms	Symphony Hall	\$
Sunday	1/29	3:00 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Mozart's <i>Don Giovanni</i>	Cobb Energy Center	\$
	1/29	3:15 PM	Joseph Russell, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	
	1/29	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	

2022-2023 AGO Meetings & Programs

Date	Location	Program/Artist	Dinner, Reception, etc.
Feb. 4 (Saturday) 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Peachtree Christian Church 1580 Peachtree Rd NW Atlanta, GA 30309 Host Carol Williams	OrgelKids USA	Pizza and drinks, then a concert using the new organ
Mar. 11 (Saturday) 7:30 p.m.	The Cathedral of St. Philip 2744 Peachtree Rd. NW Atlanta, GA 30305 Hosts Dale Adelman, Caroline Robinson, Jack Mitchener, & Timothy Gunter	The Chenaults	7:30 p.m. Recital Reception following
Apr. 22 (Saturday)	Dunwoody United Methodist Church 1548 Mt Vernon Rd Dunwoody, GA 30338 Host Mary Ruth Solem	Quimby Organ Competition	
Apr. 28 (Friday) 7:30 p.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church 2855 Briarcliff Rd NE Atlanta, GA 30329 Host William Jefferson Bush	Katherine Joliff	7:30 p.m. Recital
May 20 (Saturday) 7:30 p.m.	Johns Creek United Methodist Church 11180 Medlock Bridge Rd Johns Creek, GA 30097 Host Meg Gurtcheff	Hymn Festival	7:30 p.m. Festival Reception following

Around the Chapter

January Recitals at the Cathedral of St. Philip

The Cathedral of St. Philip will host Sunday afternoon in-person and online recitals at 3:15 p.m. each Sunday during the month of January with the exception of New Year's Day. Recitalists will include the following:

January 8, Andrew Scanlon, *organ* (from Church of the Advent, Boston, MA)

January 15, Charles Tompkins, *organ* (from Furman University, Greenville, SC)

January 22, Arie Motschman, *organ* (from Midway Presbyterian Church, Powder Springs, GA)

January 29, Joseph Russell, *organ* (from St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Houston, TX)

Choral Evensong will follow the recital each Sunday at 4:00, sung by the Cathedral Schola. All Sunday afternoon recitals and services are free admission, and the general public is warmly invited to attend.

First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta Presents Bassoonist Andrew Brady

On Monday, January 16, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., in celebration of Martin Luther King Day, First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta presents a concert featuring bassoonist Andrew Brady (former Principal Bassoon of the ASO), and consisting of works by BIPOC composers Mark Lomax, Jeffrey Scott, and Stefan L. Smith. Co-presented with Challenge the Stats in Residence at FPC, admission is free (with online registration), and free parking is available across Peachtree St. in the Lanier deck at 1337 Peachtree. To RSVP, go to concertsatfirst.org.

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Sunday, January 8

3:15 p.m. Andrew Scanlon, organ

(Church of the Advent, Boston MA)

Gaston Litaize, *Epiphanie*

Johann Sebastian Bach, *Das alte Jahr vergangen ist*, BWV 614

Guy Bovet, *Das alte Jahr vergangen ist*

J.S. Bach, *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam*, BWV 684

Guy Bovet, *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam*

Dietrich Buxtehude, *Wie schön leucht uns der Morgenstern*, BuxWV 223

Guy Bovet, *Wie schön leucht uns der Morgenstern*

Arthur Wills, *Carillon on "Orientis Partibus"*

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Gerre Hancock, *Preces & Responses*

Edward Bairstow in D

Richard Lakey, *Spirit of God, descend upon my heart*

Marty Wheeler Burnett, *Vidi aquam*

Sunday, January 15

3:15 p.m. Charles Tompkins, organ

(Furman University, Greenville SC)

César Franck, *Pièce Heroique*

J.S. Bach, *Fantasy and Fugue in C minor*, BWV 537

Marianne Kim, *Ain'a that Good News*

Noel Da Costa, *Round About the Mountain*

Richard Elliott, *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit*

Florence Price, "Air" from *Suite No. 1 for Organ*, CN 19

Florence Price, "Finale" from *Organ Sonata No. 1*, CN 29

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Thomas Morley, *Preces & Responses*

Sarah MacDonald in A flat

arr. Undine Smith Moore, *We shall walk through the valley*

Spiritual, arr. Carl Haywood, *There is a balm in Gilead*

Sunday, January 22

3:15 p.m. Arie Motschman, organ

(Midway Presbyterian Church, Powder Springs GA)

J.S. Bach, *Partita sopra "O Gott, du frommer Gott,"* BWV 767

Louis Vierne, "Adagio" from *Symphonie No. 3*, Op. 28

Dan Locklair, *Salem Sonata*

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Käthe Wright Kaufman, *Preces & Responses*

Roland Martin, *St. Paul's Cathedral, Buffalo in D*

William Mathias, *Let the people praise thee, O God*

Roland Martin, *Phos hilaron*

Sunday, January 29

3:15 p.m. Joseph Russell, organ

(St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Houston TX)

John Weaver, *Fantasia for Organ*

Frank Bridge, *Adagio in E Major*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, *Clair de lune*, Op. 72, No. 2

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, *Rondo alla Campanella*, Op. 156

Maurice Duruflé, "Toccata" from *Suite*, Op. 5

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Käthe Wright Kaufman, *Preces & Responses*

Hugh Blair in B minor

Ēriks Ešenvalds, *O salutaris hostia*

Olivier Messiaen, *O sacrum convivium*

Positions Available

Complete details on these and other positions may be found at the chapter's website: www.agoatlanta.org then click on "employment."

Music Director/Keyboardist

The Cathedral of Christ the King, Atlanta, seeks an Assistant Organist and Coordinator of Children's Choirs. Send resumes to jobopening@ctking.com.

Central Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, seeks a half-time interim or permanent Organist. Contact Jennifer Sengin at jsengin@cpccatlanta.org.

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, seeks a half-time Interim Director of Music. Send resumes to music@covpresatl.org.

Peachtree Road United Methodist Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Assistant Organist. Submit resumes to Scott Atchison at scotta@prumc.org.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Assistant Organist. Contact Dr. Joyce Schemanske at jschemanske@saintannes.com or 404-237-5589 ext. 132.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Atlanta, seeks a half-time Director of Music. Send resumes to office@stjohnsatlanta.org.

St. Paul United Methodist Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Director of Music. Send resumes to cassie@stpaulgrantpark.org.

Virginia-Highland Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Director of Music. Send resume to jeff@allenorganstudios.com.

First Baptist Church, Carrollton, seeks a part-time Organist. Send resumes to Associate Pastor of Music & Worship Tyler Ingram at tyler@fbcc.us.

Epworth United Methodist Church seeks a part-time Worship Leader. Send resumes to byron.ahrens@ngumc.net

Episcopal Church of the Nativity, Fayetteville, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to secretaryathativity@gmail.com.

Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church, Fort Valley, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to harlowmatthew@gmail.com.

First United Methodist Church, Greensboro, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. Send resume to tbantly@gmail.com.

John Knox Presbyterian Church, Marietta, seeks a part-time Director of Music/Organist. Send resume to snbennett01@gmail.com.

Resurrection Lutheran Church, Newnan, seeks a part-time organist & pianist. Send resumes to rev.jennifer.rc@gmail.com or resluch@juno.com.

St. Barnabas Anglican Church, Newnan, seeks a part-time Music Director. Contact Fr. Joey Fitzgerald at joey@barnabasanglican.com for more information.

St. George Catholic Church, Newnan, seeks a part time Director of Sacred Music/Organist. Send resume to mcormier@stgeorgewennan.org.

Evergreen Church, Peachtree City, seeks a part-time pianist. For more information, contact Stacy Taylor at stacy@evergreenchurchga.org.

Peachtree City United Methodist Church seeks a part-time organist. For more information, email woody.brown@ptcumc.org.

St. Andrew's in the Pines Episcopal Church, Peachtree City, seeks a minister of music/organist. Send resume to rector@standrews316.org.

McEachern Memorial United Methodist Church, Powder Springs, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to Tanya Ghoreishi at tghoreishi@mceachernumc.org.

Rabun Gap Presbyterian Church, Rabun Gap, seeks an organist/choir director. Send resume to pastor.rabungappresbyterian@gmail.com.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Roswell, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to jonathan911sc@hotmail.com.

St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church, Sandy Springs, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. To schedule an audition, submit resumes to Bryan Archer at barcher@judeatl.com.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Snellville, seeks a part-time Pianist/Organist. Send resume to jim7qil@bellsouth.net.

Epiphany Lutheran Church, Suwanee, seeks a half-time Worship & Music Leader. Send resume to resume to hiring@epiphanysuwanee.org.

Second Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, TN, seeks a half-time Organist. Contact Dr. Kevin Ford at office@secondpreschattanooga.org for more information.

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Virginia Highland Church, Atlanta, seeks tenor and bass staff singers. Contact Nicholas Bowden (404-932-0877 to arrange an audition.

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Kennesaw, seeks a tenor staff singer. To arrange an audition, contact Charissa Saenz at charissas@stcatherinerc.org.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Roswell, seeks a soloist. For an audition, contact jonathan911sc@hotmail.com.



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